

Fiscal Year 2009 Zero to Three Grantees

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Allegan Area Educational Service Agency

County Served: Allegan; Contact: Kerenda Applebey (269) 673-6954; e-mail: kapplebey@alleganaesa.org; Grant Amount: \$249,864
The Allegan County 0-3 Secondary Prevention Project provides intensive home-based parent education and support services to at-risk families with children under the age of four. Families are identified through a unique collaboration between the AAESA and the Allegan County Health Department where all newborn birth records are screened and qualifying families are offered a personal visit. Once enrolled in services, families receive home visits, Circle of Security parent education classes, and nurse visits. The Parents as Teachers curriculum is utilized to strengthen parent's ability to understand their child's development and prepare them for school success.

BHK Child Development Board

Counties Served: Baraga, Houghton & Keweenaw; Contact: Counties Served: Houghton-Keweenaw-Baraga; Contact: Dale Penny (906) 482-3663; e-mail: dhpenny@bhkfirst.org or Lisa Schmierer (906) 487-6600 ext. 146; e-mail: lschmie@bhkfirst.org; Grant Amount: \$250,000
The Early Start: 0-3 Project supports at-risk pregnant mothers and families with infants and toddlers through home visits, parent-child playgroups and Playtime in the Park socialization opportunities, parenting classes, access to prevention-oriented resources and materials in Toy Libraries, and connections/referrals to additional services provided by the grantee and its community partners.

Branch-Hillsdale-St. Joseph Community Health Agency

County Served: Branch; Contact: Andrea Bricker (517) 437-7395 x116; e-mail: brickera@bhsj.org; Grant Amount: \$161,147
The Family Success Secondary Prevention Program of Branch County will serve expectant families and those with children birth through three years. The project will partner with the Branch Intermediate School District to utilize the *Parents as Teachers* curriculum to provide regular home visitation to prevent abuse and neglect. Services will include; screening, assessment, community playgroups, team planning, and linking families to community resources.

Branch-Hillsdale-St. Joseph Community Health Agency

County Served: Hillsdale; Contact: Andrea D. Bricker (517) 437-7395 X 116; e-mail: brickera@bhsj.org; Grant Amount: \$152,859
The Healthy Beginnings Secondary Prevention Project of Hillsdale County will serve expectant families and those with children birth through three years. The project will utilize the *Parents as Teachers* curriculum and *Healthy Families America* child abuse & neglect prevention model to deliver intensive, comprehensive home-based services. The project will include; parenting education and support, developmental and health screenings and assessments of their children, individualized family goal setting and linking families to community resources.

Cadillac Area OASIS Family Resource Center

Counties Served: Wexford & Missaukee; Contact: Rhonda Weathers, Executive Director (231) 775-7299; e-mail: oasis@charterinternet.com; Grant Amount: \$84,174

Family Links is a strength-based, in-home parenting program serving families with children from 0 through 3 years of age in Wexford and Missaukee Counties. Using the Parents as Teachers curriculum, the program provides individualized parenting education and support to families in their homes, and also helps them to access resources found throughout their communities. One hundred percent of the families in this program have three or more factors that place them at risk of experiencing child abuse or neglect. The Family Links program is part of Cadillac Area OASIS/Family Resource Center.

Catholic Charities West Michigan

County Served: Muskegon; Contact: Monica Marshall (231) 726-1247; email mmarchell@ccwestmi.org; Grant Amount: \$250,000;
The Healthy Families program promotes healthy child and family development by reducing risk factors, promoting healthy habits, strengthening parent/child bonds, and empowering the family. The program provides voluntary home visiting to at-risk expectant families and families with children birth-three. Services also include: parenting support and education, case management, support groups and assistance in accessing community resources. The Healthy Families program is designed to promote healthy child and family development by reducing risk factors, promoting healthy habits, strengthening parent/child bonds, and empowering the family. Services include home visiting, parenting support and education, case management, support groups, and assistance in accessing community resources.

Catholic Social Services

County served: Washtenaw; Contact: Christina Rivest (734) 761-1440; e-mail: crivest@csswashtenaw.org; Grant Amount: \$250,000
The Healthy Families Program provides home visiting services to at-risk families with children age birth through three. Services include but are not limited to parenting support and education, advocacy, one-on-one supportive counseling, developmental screening, linkages to resources, transportation assistance, and education about positive health practices focusing on preventing child abuse and neglect.

Clinton County Family Resource Center

County Served: Clinton; Contact: Howard Comstock (989) 224-1173; e-mail: hcomstoc@edzone.net; Grant Amount: \$134,064
The Healthy Start program will provide universal screening of all births in Clinton County, service coordination and referrals, home visiting services focusing on child development and parent-child interactions, and long-term parenting education and support.

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Community Healing Center

County Served: Kalamazoo; Contact: Mary Hockstra (269) 343-1651 x 118; e-mail: mhoekstra@chcmi.org ; Grant Amount: \$250,000
The Parents as Partners in Prevention program provides home visiting services to at-risk families with children age birth through three. Services include parenting support and education, advocacy, one-on-one supportive counseling, developmental screening, linkages to resources, information on healthy relationships, and education about positive health practices focusing on preventing child abuse and neglect.

Dickinson/Iron District Health Department

Counties Served: Dickinson & Iron; Contact: Joyce Ziegler Contact: Joyce Ziegler (906)265-9913; e-mail: jziegler@hline.org ; Grant Amount: \$98,727
The I.M.P.E.T.U.S. project provides home visiting services focused on improving outcomes for the family. Through membership in our Local Interagency Coordinating Council (LICC), the program is a part of the community's Great Start Collaborative that coordinates 0-5 child services. Program services include parenting education, Welcome Newborn Resource Guide, parenting newsletters, information/referrals, and coordination with Early-On and other 0-3 programs.

District Health Department #2

Counties Served: Alcona, Iosco, Ogemaw & Oscoda; Contact: Debra Baumann, R.N. (989) 345-5020; e-mail: dbaumann@dhd2.org
Grant Amount: \$250,000
The Family Matters Program Advocates utilize the Nurturing Program and Growing Great Kids Curriculum. The strength-based program serves at-risk families with children ages 0-3 and provides home visits focusing on child health & development, parenting education & support, connections to community resources.

District Health Department #4

County Served: Alpena; Contact: Rosanne Schultz (989) 356-4507; e-mail: rschultz@hline.org ; Grant Amount: \$172,685
The Day One Program is a child abuse and neglect prevention program whereby all newborns are screened at local area hospitals for 18 different risk factors. Through systematic newborn record screens, families in most need are identified and offered voluntary intensive in-home services focusing on parenting/family support. Through community referrals/coordination, children in these families are surrounded by a network of resources.

District Health Department #4

County Served: Cheboygan; Contact: Rosanne Schultz (989) 356-4507; e-mail: rschultz@hline.org ; Grant Amount: \$101,856
Families identified to be at-risk for child abuse and neglect will receive intensive home based services using the Parent's as Teachers model incorporating the Born To Learn® curriculum, a neuroscience-based parent-child curriculum for children 0 - 3 years of age. Parent Educator Staff provides parent education, child development information, periodic developmental screening and other support directed at specific issues relevant to that family. Parent handouts are available at two reading levels. Parenting videos are also provided and used in parenting skills training.

District Health Department #4

County Served: Presque Isle; Contact: Rosanne Schultz (989) 356-4507; e-mail: rschultz@hline.org ; Grant Amount: \$101,856
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Eastern U.P. Intermediate School District

Counties Served: Chippewa, Luce, Mackinac; Contact: Jessica Savoie (906) 632-3373, ext: 142, e-mail: jessicas@eupisd.com; Grant Amount: \$ 152,227
Infants & Toddlers Off To A Good Start (IT-OTAGS) provides parent education through home visits and group meetings to families with children (ages birth through age three) who are at risk for abusing or neglecting their children. IT-OTAGS promotes strong nurturing family relationships which foster parenting skills, improve parent-child interactions, increase access to community services, improve school readiness and educate parents on healthy environments for children. All children will have developmental, vision, hearing, and health screenings. This program uses Parents As Teachers curriculum which focuses on the early years, from pregnancy to age three, to help parents understand what to expect during each stage of their child's development.

EIGHTCAP, INC.

Counties Served: Isabella & Montcalm; Contact: MaDonna Adkins or Danielle Moy (616) 754-9315 x 3359; e-mail: madonna@8cap.org or Danielle Moy, 616 754-9315 ext. 3334; e-mail: daniellem@8cap.org; Grant Amount: \$129,456.00
Early Head Start provides home-based services for families with children 0-3 who have identified risk factors for child abuse and neglect. Services include: home visits, playgroups, parenting education & support, developmental assessments, health screenings & monitoring, linkage to community resources, and overall case management.

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Heartland Community Services

County Served: Mecosta & Osceola; Contact: Donald Guernsey 866-792-2133; e-mail: dguernsey@heartlandcs.org; Grant Amount: \$224,078
Parents and children will participate in the Nurturing Parent Program. The program shall consist of group based activities and in-home visits. Families will receive weekly assistance through the combination of activities and transportation is provided to the group activities. Parents are also encouraged to participate in the parent support group which is designed to encourage parent networking and support.

Huron County Health Department

County Served: Huron; Contact: Cindy Rochefort, Nursing Director - Preventive/Maternal Child Health Huron County Health Department; (989)269-9721 x 130; e-mail: rochefort@hchd.us; Grant Amount: \$63,000
The Zero through Three Family Mentor Program provides home visits utilizing the Nurturing Parents curriculum and following the Healthy Families America Model to coordinate and ensure that the family's needs are met without duplication of services. The goals of the program are: 1) decrease the chance of child abuse/neglect; 2) increase positive parent/child interaction, 3) increase family well being; 4) increase support system linkages, and 5) increase school readiness.

Ionia County Intermediate School District

County Served: Ionia; Contact: Cheryl Granzo (616) 527-4900, x1410; e-mail: cgranzo@ioniaisd.org; Grant Amount: \$170,000
The Begin with Babies project targets families that are low income and have three or more identified risk factors including teen parents. The Parents As Teachers curriculum is the primary curriculum utilized to improve parents knowledge and skills. Playgroups, home visiting services, individualize family service plans, developmental screenings and parent meetings are also provided.

Monroe County Intermediate School District

County Served: Monroe; Contact: Douglas Redding (734)242-5799 Ext. 1912, email redding@msd.k12.mi.us; Grant Amount: \$83,613
Project: The Great Expectations program is a collaborative venture between the Monroe County ISD, the Health Department and the 9 local school districts. The program provides education, information and referral, developmental assessment, and parenting services through support groups and home visiting services.

MSU Extension – Grand Traverse County

County Served: Grand Traverse & Kalkaska; Contact: Jennifer Berkey (231) 922-4821; e-mail: berkeyj@msu.edu; Grant Amount: \$249,637
Equal Start is collaboration between the Grand Traverse County Health Department (Healthy Futures) and Michigan State University Extension - Grand Traverse (Parents as Teachers). Health Department (Healthy Futures) nurses will provide screening and initial identification of at-risk families, and referral to the Parent as Teachers program. Parent as Teachers parent educators will provide intensive home visiting services to families using the 2005 Parents as Teachers Born to Learn curriculum, along with developmental screenings, parent group facilitation, and referral to needed community resources, including linking the family back to their Healthy Futures nurse. During Parents as Teachers home visits, parents learn positive parenting skills, gain knowledge of child development and access necessary community resources. Healthy Futures nursing staff will provide education on infant health, normal growth and development, immunizations and recommended well-child checkups during home visits. Equal Start will serve families in Grand Traverse and Kalkaska counties.

MSU Extension – Sanilac County

County Served: Sanilac; Contact: Gail Innis (810) 648-2515; e-mail: innis@msu.edu; Grant Amount: \$138,893
Healthy Families Sanilac is based on the Healthy Families model and serves high risk teen and/or first time parents. Services include: screening, assessment, personal home visits, team planning and referral to community services. A multidisciplinary team approach includes family support, registered nurse, social work and infant mental health specialist services.

Newaygo County R.E.S.A.

County Served: Newaygo; Parents As Teachers Program; Contact: Shirley Rose (231) 652-3843; e-mail: srose@ncresa.org; Grant Amount: \$250,000
The Parents As Teachers curriculum is integrated with direct services from collaborating agencies to strengthen the parent's ability to understand their child's development, improve parenting attitudes, prepare the child for school, and set family goals. Home visits, parental support, health information, developmental screenings, early identification and referrals, and parent group opportunities are also provided for these at-risk families.

Northwest Michigan Community Health Agency

Counties Served: Charlevoix, Emmet & Otsego; Contact: Pat Fralick 231-347-5628; e-mail: p.fralick@nwhealth.org; Grant Amount: \$224,930
The Teen Parent Collaboration program is to support pregnant and parenting teens to achieve goals, such as obtaining prenatal and/or well child care, obtaining parenting education on a variety of issues, and completing their high school education utilizing the support of multiple community resources including their local school districts. Services are provided by a multi-disciplinary team including a nurse, social worker and parent educator.

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Oakland Family Services

County Served: Oakland; Contact: Kristine White 248-858-7766, ext. 276; e-mail: kwhite@ofsfamily.org; Grant Amount: \$129,818

The Fussy Baby program is targeted at families with children birth through three years of age. The program focuses on offering parenting education and support to families with infants who are experiencing regulatory disorders (eating, sleeping and behavior difficulties) in order to prevent child abuse and neglect. The program offers assessments and screenings, service planning/coordination, and intervention in a strength based, family friendly prevention service model.

Saginaw County Child Abuse & Neglect Council

County Served: Saginaw; Contact: Suzanne Greenberg (989) 752-7226; e-mail: sgreenberg@cancouncil.org; Grant Amount: \$250,000

The Healthy Families Saginaw Program is based on the Healthy Families America model and utilizes the Parents as Teachers, Building Strong Families, and Nurturing Parenting curriculums. The program provides hospital screening, comprehensive assessment, weekly home visiting, and parent support services.

Shiawassee County Health Department

County Served: Shiawassee; Contact: Heidi Loynes, RN BSN (989) 743-2358; e-mail: hloynes@shiawassee.net; Grant Amount: \$214,678

The Healthy Families Shiawassee 0-3 program provides intensive home visitation to area Shiawassee Families with a multi-disciplinary team approach. The team is a collaboration of agencies in Shiawassee County that provide a nurse, social worker and parent educator for the family home visitation program. This team links the families to healthcare, community resources/agencies, developmental assessments and knowledge, parenting information and community activities. The program follows the Healthy Families America model and utilizes the Parents as Teachers Curriculum. Healthy Families Shiawassee 0-3 collaborates with Early On and service coordinates the 0-3 families in Shiawassee County. The 0-3 team provides services through the Lincoln Alternative Education Program at Owosso Schools and will be targeting teen parents and pregnant teens for group work and home visits. Through intensive home visits, group work, and teen outreach the 0-3 team looks to provide each family with a great start, healthy lifestyle choices and promote education.

Spaulding for Children

County Served: Macomb; Contact: Kelly Barber (248) 443-0300; Kelly E. Baber, MSA, LBSW, Healthy Families Program Director, 16250 Northland Dr., Suite 100, Southfield, MI 48075, 248.443.0300Grant; e-mail: kbaber@spaulding.org; Amount: \$250,000

This program has Outreach Workers that provide intensive home based, on-site and/or community based services to address families with risk factors for child maltreatment with children birth through 47 months of age. Family focused, child centered, and culturally responsive services include: case management with family assessments, information and referral, and linkages to community services are provided. Early Childhood Education provided through mobile play groups will also be available. Judson Center-Macomb will partner with Spaulding to provide parent training.

Spaulding for Children

County Served: S.W. Detroit, Wayne County; Contact: Kelly Barber (248) 443-0300; Kelly E. Baber, MSA, LBSW, Healthy Families Program Director, 16250 Northland Dr, Suite 100, Southfield, MI 48075, 248.443.0300Grant; e-mail: kbaber@spaulding.org; Amount: \$250,000

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Partnerships with Latino Family Services and Children's Outreach have been formed to provide a wide array of parent trainings and early childhood services. Children's Outreach will establish a portable Family Resource Center called "Children's Outreach on the Road" to provide families with early childhood activities.

Spaulding for Children

County Served: Wayne; Contact: Kelly Barber (248) 443-0300; Kelly E. Baber, MSA, LBSW, Healthy Families Program Director, 16250 Northland Dr., Suite 100, Southfield, MI 48075, 248.443.0300Grant; e-mail: kbaber@spaulding.org; Amount: \$250,000

This program targets low income families living in Detroit, Highland Park and Hamtramck. Outreach Workers provide intensive home based, on-site and/or community based services to address families with risk factors for child maltreatment with children birth through 47 months of age. Family focused, child centered, and culturally responsive services include: case management with family assessments, information and referral, and linkages to community services are provided. Early Childhood Education provided through mobile play groups will also be available. Brightmoore Community Center will partner with Spaulding to provide home visitation and parent trainings.

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The Development Centers, Inc.

County served: Wayne; Contact: Marilyn Schmitt (313) 531-2500, ext 2112; e-mail: mschmitt@develctrs.org ; Grant amount: \$204,349

The After Baby Comes program serves 1st time parents living in the west side of Detroit, western and downriver communities of Wayne County. The program provides screening at Oakwood hospitals, home visits, parent education and support, developmental screening and activities, infant massage instruction and linking to community resources and activities. The focus of the program is the promotion of a healthy, nurturing attachment relationship and the development of positive parenting practices for families with risk factors for child abuse and neglect.

The Salvation Army Denby Center Next Step Program

County Served: Wayne; Contact: Maureen Northrup (313) 537-2130 x 257; e-mail: Maureen_northrup@usc.salvationarmy.org ; Grant Amount: \$88,075

The Next Step Program targets teenage mothers with 0-3 year old children. The program is designed to monitor the young mother and the infant until the infant's third birthday. As clients pursue their goals, they can count on our staff to provide: Weekly home visits; parenting instructions; assistance with transportation; monthly support groups, assistance with daily living tasks; employment referrals; educational assistance; material assistance such as housing, furniture, clothing and food; assistance with developing future plans.

Traverse Bay Area Intermediate School District

Counties Served: Antrim & Benzie; Contact: Yvonne Donohoe (231)922-7863; e-mail: ydonohoe@tbaids.k12.mi.us ; Grant Amount: \$100,000

Way to Grow services will be expanded to provide increased access to a public health nurse as well as home visitation services from a community based provider including service coordination, parent education, child assessment, and playgroup services for at risk families with children age birth through three.

Tuscola County Health Department

County Served: Tuscola; Contact: Kathy Pokorski (989) 673-8114 x123; e-mail: kpokorski@tchd.us ; Grant Amount: \$144,510

The Touching Lives of Children program is aimed at high risk families with children from birth to three years who are at higher risk for child abuse and neglect. The program offers an extensive assessment of the families risks and needs. Individual family service plans are developed with the family, along with case management, referrals, and weekly home visits by a family mentor, social worker, dietician or nurse.

Women's Resource Center

County Served: Livingston; Contact: Pam Carter (517) 548-2200 x 30; e-mail: pcarter@wrc-livingston.org ; Grant Amount: \$133,000

Healthy Families Livingston partners with St. Joseph Mercy Livingston Hospital and the Livingston County Health Department to screen families expecting a baby or with a newborn. At-risk families are eligible for home visiting services until the child's 4th birthday. These services promote positive parent-child interaction, healthy child growth and development, and enhanced family functioning through problem solving skills, setting and achieving family goals, and connections with community resources.



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